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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE  
(RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT)

SUBJECT: Satellite Inspection

Reference: Memo for DDR&E from ASAF(R&D), dtd 21 July 60, subject:  
Development Plan for SAIIT <sup>209.7</sup>

This office has reviewed the Space System Abbreviated Development Plan forwarded by your above referenced memorandum, and has discussed its contents with people associated with the SAIIT program. We are pleased to say that we have found the organization and philosophy of the plan to be a commendable response to our request of 16 June 1960.

We do, however, have some reservations as to the adequacy of the four launches programmed to meet demonstration objectives. We feel this number may be low and the program cost correspondingly low. This office believes that the Air Force should be prepared to program additional launches eventually and support substantial increases in funding as the program progresses and more is learned regarding the reliability of components.

The Air Force is authorized to proceed with the program presented in the Space System Abbreviated Development Plan for a Satellite Inspector Program, dated 1 July 1960. This approval is granted with the understanding that any substantial change in the scope of the program will be presented to this office for approval and that the funding required to implement the program can be made available within the resources presently available to the Air Force.

SIGNED  
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